(b) if so, to whom Government propose to assign the job of distributions and billing responsibilities and whether any workshop in this regard was organised recently by the Power Finance Corporation;

(c) whether Government also propose to do away with the present system of central appropriation to recover SEB's dues for Central Power utilities and coal companies, if so, the details thereof indicating the period involved therein:

(d) whether there is also any proposal to eschew open letter of credit alongwith guarantees ensuring payments from SEBs to power utilities and coal companies etc.; and

(e) if to, when such schemes are likely to be implemented and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): fa) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of fa) above. The workshop organised by Power Finance Corporation was intended to identify the problems being faced by SEBs, in regard to metering, billing and collection, and to find viable solutions.

(c) to (e) The need for streamlining the procedure for central appropriation to recover SEBs' dues for Central Power Utilities *etc.* and to improve the commercial performance of SEBs has been engaging Government's attention; no decision has been taken in this regard.

207. *[Transferred to 4th August,* 1993]

Demand and supply position of power in Southern States

208. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the demand and supply position of power in Southern States;

(b) what steps are taken to fill the gap; and

(c) what is the quantity of power supplied from NTPC National Power Grid to each state; details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) During the period April 1992—March, 1993, the State-wise power supply position in the Southern Region was as under:—

(Figures in MU net)

Name of the State	Requirement	Availability	Shortage	(%)
Andhra Pradesh	26085	24282	1804	6.9%
Karnataka	21665	16050	5615	25.9%
Kerala	7700	7416	284	3.7%
Tamil Nadu	24490	24060	430	1.8%
Southern Region	79940	71807	8133	10.2%

(b) Various measures being taken to improve the availability of power in the country include (i) expediting commissioning of new generating capacity (ii) implementation of short gestation projects (iii) Improving the performance of existing power stations (iv) Reduction of Transmission and Distribution losses (v) Implementation of demand management and energy conservation measures and (vi) arranging transfer of energy from surplus to deficit areas etc. It is also envisaged to add 4428.6 MW of additional generating capacity during the 8th Plan in the Southern Region (including Central Sector Projects) to further augment the availability of power.

(c) Details of power supplied from the National Thermal Power Corporation's Ramagundam Super Thermal Power Station during 1992-93 are as follows:—

State	Actual drawal (MU)
Andhra Pradesh . .	4295.0
Karnataka . . .	2314.0
Tamil Nadu . . .	3308.0
Kerala	789.0
Goa	226.0
Pondicherry . . .	409.0

OECF's aid for development of power projects

209. SHRl TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: SHRI V. GOPALSAMY;

Will the Minister of POWER b pleased to state:

(a) how much aid has been promises by Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund of Japan to India for the developmen of power projects;

(b) which power projects have been promised this aid and the nature of the aid;

(c) for which power projects the ai are at present going on and at what stage and

(d) by when each of these project: are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b) Ou of the total aid for India of 119.64 billion Yen for the year 1993-94 an nounced by the Government of Japar at the Aid India Consortium meeting held in Paris on 1st and 2nd July, 1993 68.25 billion Yen, equivalent to about Rs. 1840 crores, is for the following three power projects:—

Name	Implementing Agency	Capacity (MW)	Aid Amount (In billion Yen)
1. Faridabad Gas Based Thermal Power Plant	National Thermal Power Corporation	400	23.54
2. Bakreshwar Coal Based Thermal Power Plant	West Bengal Power Development Corporation	420	27.07
3. Anapara 'B' Coal Based Power Plant (On-going)	Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board	1000	Final tranche of 17.64